Divisional of 09/991,702

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The present application is a divisional of application no. 09/991,702. This

preliminary amendment cancels original product-by-process claims 1-12, thus leaving

process claim 13 remaining. In the parent application process claim 13 was withdrawn

from consideration due to a restriction requirement. New process claims 14-44 have

been added. Process claims 14-44 correspond to the processes recited in product-by-

process claims 2, 3, 6-10, 12, 31, 34-38 and 14-30 respectively.

The specification has been amended so that it corresponds to the amended

specification of the parent application.

Applicants respectfully request the examiner to consider and make of record all

of the art of record from the aforementioned parent application. To assist the examiner

in this regard, applicant submits herewith an information disclosure statement wherein

the art of record from the parent application has been listed on form PTO-1449.

In view of the above comments and amendments to the claims, favorable

reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims now present in the application

are most respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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